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Chairman:

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Looking at the causes of death it is seen that heart disease and in particular Coronary disease, accounts for by far the greatest number of deaths from any one cause. It can further be seen that more men than women die from Coronary disease. The cause and prevention of this disease is a matter of constant research in all civilised countries and many theories have been put forward and many factors are agreed as being among the primary causes.

Infectious diseases show little variation from the usual pattern apart from a very steep drop in the number of notifications of pulmonary T.B. which fell to the low level of four cases from 14 cases in 1966. Among the many factors which might account for this, we must include the more effective modern treatment, the more intensive field work in finding and checking contacts and the effects of B.C.G. vaccination, which has for a number of years been carried out on the senior age groups at all schools. Dysentery shows the usual pattern (in the absence of an outbreak) of a fairly small number of sporadic cases. Whooping cough although slightly higher than last year, is a fairly constant figure and no major outbreak has occurred for a number of years. Among children, absence from school appears to be much more often due to the non-notifiable infectious diseases, such as Chicken-pox, German measles and Mumps, with the one outstanding exception, viz Measles, which is notifiable. At last a suitable vaccine for the prevention of this disease has been prepared and now accepted by health authorities and is now in use. At the moment Measles is socially the most important of all the Infectious Diseases in that it causes more absenteeism in industry than any of the others. This is not due to large numbers of adults contracting the disease but to the fact that when the children do so, one parent usually stays at home to look after them. In a few years time the effects of the new vaccine should become apparent.

Before concluding I wish to express my great regret at the death of our Chief Public Health Inspector, Mr. A.H.V. Marsden. This came as a tremendous shock to everyone in the department who knew him not only as an officer colleague but as a friend.

This has been a busy year and in various ways a difficult one. I am therefore very grateful for the support of members and wish also to thank all the staff of the department for their help and devotion to duty.

I am, Your obedient Servant,
G.N. HOBBIN
Medical Officer of Health

SECTION 1

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (Land and Inland Water)	...	...	...	35,537 acres
Number of inhabited houses	...	...	...	21,038
Rateable Value	...	...	...	£4,605,415
Product of Penny Rate 1966/67	...	...	...	£18,674
Population (Registrar General's estimation for mid-year 1967)	...	...	...	71,540

VITAL STATISTICS

<u>Live Births</u>		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	...	427	461	888
Illegitimate	...	42	50	92
		<u>469</u>	<u>511</u>	<u>980</u>
Live Births per 1,000 population	...			13.70
National Rate	...			17.2
Comparability Factor	...			0.93
Ratio of local adjusted birth rate to National Rate				0.74
Illegitimate live births per cent of total births				9.39

<u>Still Births</u>		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	...	6	5	11
Illegitimate	...	-	-	-
		<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>
Still birth rate per 1,000 total births	...			11.09
Still birth rate per 1,000 population	...			0.15
National rate per 1,000 total births	...			14.8
Total live and still births	...			991

Infant Mortality (Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age)

			<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	...	...	14	8	22
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-
			<u>14</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>22</u>
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births...					22.45
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births					... 24.77
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births					... Nil
National Rate	...	...	...	...	... 13.3

Neo-Natal Mortality (Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age)

			<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	...	...	11	6	17
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-
			<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>17</u>
Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births					17.35

Early Neo-Natal Mortality (Deaths of Infants under 1 week)

			<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	...	...	11	6	17
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-
			<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>17</u>
Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births					17.35

Peri-Natal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week)

Number of stillbirths and deaths	...	...	28
Peri-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths		...	28.25

Maternal Mortality

Total from all causes (including abortion) Nil

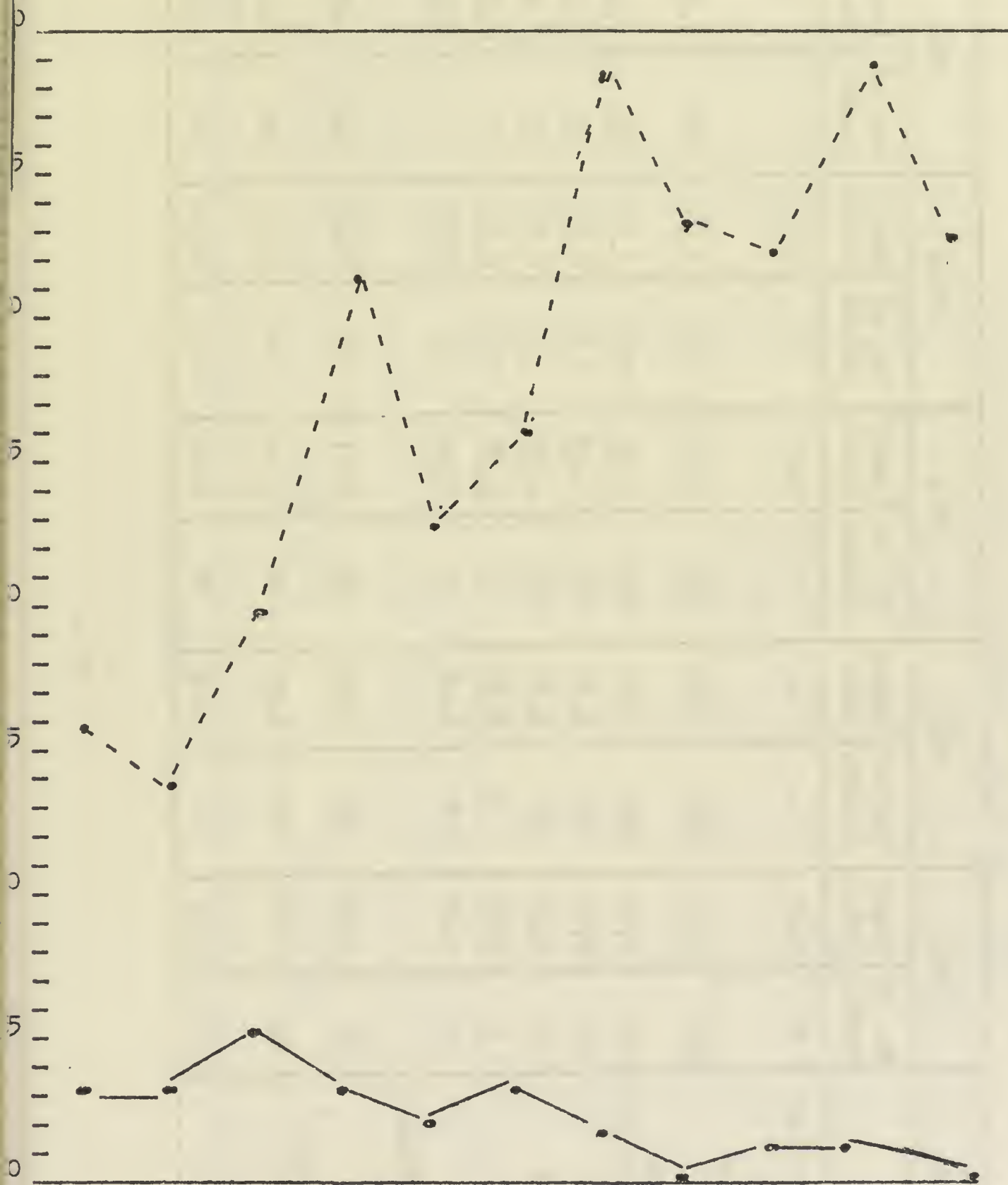
Death Rate per 1,000 live and still births Nil

<u>Deaths</u>		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Number of Deaths	...	331	317	648
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 population				... 9.06
Corrected Death Rate - allowing for sex and age				11.03
(Comparability factor = 1.22)				
National Rate	...	...	...	... 11.2
Ratio of corrected Rate to National				... 0.98

CAUSES OF DEATH in the Eton Rural District during 1967.

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Syphilitic Disease	1	-	1
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases ...	-	1	1
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	12	8	20
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus.. ...	23	9	32
Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	21	21
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	4	4
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasm ...	31	33	64
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	1	4	5
Diabetes	1	3	4
Vascular lesions of nervous system ...	31	52	83
Coronary disease, angina	80	63	143
Hypertension with heart disease	4	8	12
Other heart disease	20	27	47
Other circulatory disease	13	14	27
Influenza	-	1	1
Pneumonia	22	15	37
Bronchitis	28	7	35
Other diseases of respiratory system ...	-	1	1
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	3	1	4
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea ...	1	3	4
Hyperplasia of Prostate	2	-	2
Congenital malformations	2	6	8
Other defined and ill defined diseases ...	22	28	50
Motor vehicle accidents	16	4	20
All other accidents	16	2	18
Suicide	2	2	4
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TOTALS:	331	317	648
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1957 1958 1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965 1966 1967



Deaths 1957 - 1967

_____ Respiratory T.B.

- - - - - Lung Cancer.

TABLE I

Death and Death Rates per 1,000 Population from Principal Causes 1963-1967

Disease	1963		1964		1965		1966		1967	
	No. of Deaths	Death Rate	No. of Deaths	Death Rate	No. of Deaths	Death Rate	No. of Deaths	Death Rate	No. of Deaths	Death Rate
T.B.Respiratory	2	0.02	-	-	1	0.01	1	0.01	-	-
Malignant diseases of all types	140	2.01	126	1.79	129	1.83	127	1.78	140	1.96
Diseases of heart all types	190	2.74	169	2.41	180	2.56	177	2.48	202	2.82
Pneumonia	29	0.40	34	0.48	33	0.47	42	0.59	37	0.52
Bronchitis	19	0.27	21	0.30	23	0.33	36	0.51	35	0.49
Suicide	5	0.07	5	0.07	3	0.04	10	0.14	4	0.06
Diabetes	5	0.07	4	0.06	2	0.02	5	0.07	4	0.06
Vascular lesions of nervous system	76	1.09	66	0.94	78	1.11	73	1.03	82	1.15
Motor Vehicle Accidents	10	0.14	16	0.23	14	0.20	9	0.13	20	0.28
All other Accidents	13	0.19	13	0.19	14	0.20	17	0.24	18	0.25

TABLE II

Comparison of Local and National Birth Rates, Death Rates and Infant Mortality Rates from 1957-1967

Year	Birth Rates per 1,000 population		Death Rates per 1,000 population		Infant Mortality Rate (i.e. under 1 year of age) per 1,000 Live Births	
	Eton Rural District	England and Wales	Eton Rural District	England and Wales	Eton Rural District	England and Wales
1957	18.6 (996)	16.1	9.4 (502)	11.5	25.1 (25)	23.0
1958	17.6 (1009)	16.4	8.5 (485)	11.7	15.9 (16)	22.5
1959	19.5 (1189)	16.5	8.1 (491)	11.6	24.4 (29)	22.0
1960	18.5 (1186)	17.1	8.5 (546)	11.5	22.8 (27)	21.7
1961	17.3 (1157)	17.4	7.9 (528)	12.0	19.0 (22)	21.4
1962	18.4 (1261)	18.0	8.7 (596)	11.9	23.8 (30)	21.4
1963	17.2 (1191)	18.2	8.8 (613)	12.2	16.8 (20)	20.9
1964	16.7 (1173)	18.4	7.7 (539)	11.3	17.1 (20)	20.0
1965	17.0 (1198)	18.1	8.3 (586)	11.5	20.9 (25)	19.0
1966	15.7 (1117)	17.7	8.4 (596)	11.7	26.0 (29)	19.0
1967	13.7 (980)	17.2	9.1 (648)	11.2	22.5 (22)	18.3

NOTE: The actual numbers are given in parenthesis.

TABLE III

Causes of Death of all Infants under 1 year of age and Analysis of Age at Death
 (from local returns before correction to place of residence)

Cause	0 - 1 day	1 - 7 days	1 - 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	4 weeks - 3 months	3 - 6 months	6 - 9 months	9 - 12 months	Total under 1 year
Pneumonia	-	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	3
Congenital malformations	1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Prematurity	10	6	-	16	-	-	-	-	16
Other developmental conditions	2	3	1	6	-	1	-	-	7
All other causes	2	3	1	6	2	1	-	2	11
Total	15	15	3	33	2	2	-	2	39

SECTION II
TUBERCULOSIS - TABLE IV

Age Periods	New Cases and Hospital Admissions								
	Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary			Combined Totals	Number admitted to Hospital	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total		New Cases	Previously Notified
0-1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1-5 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-15 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-25 years	-	-	-	2	-	2	2	1	-
25-35 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35-45 years	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
45-55 years	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	-
55-65 years	2	-	2	-	-	-	2	1	-
65 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Age unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals:	2	2	4	2	-	2	6	3	-

Notifications

Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis - Sites of Infection

Kidneys.....1

Thoracic Spine.....1

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1-5 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-15 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-25 years	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
25-35 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35-45 years	-	1	1	-	-	1	-
45-55 years	-	1	1	-	-	1	-
55-65 years	2	-	2	-	-	2	-
65 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Age unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals:	2	2	4	2	-	6	-

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NOTIFICATION REGISTER - TABLE V

	Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary			Combined Totals
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Number on Register 1st January 1967	27	16	43	14	14	28	71
Number entered by Primary Notification	2	2	4	2	-	2	6
Number entered other than by Primary Notification	5	6	11	-	-	-	11
Number removed from Register due to:							
(a) Death	--	-	--	--	--	--	--
(b) Removal from District	2	--	2	--	--	--	2
(c) Denotification	5	8	13	-	3	3	16
Number on Register 31st December 1967	27	16	43	16	11	27	70

MORTALITY - TABLE VI

Comparison of Deaths from Tuberculosis during 1967 with Previous Years

Year	Population	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total	Combined Totals	Death Rate per 1,000 Population
		Male	Female	Male	Female			
1957	53,500	3	-	-	-	3	3	0.05
1958	57,300	2	1	-	-	3	3	0.05
1959	60,920	4	1	-	-	5	5	0.08
1960	63,960	3	-	-	-	3	3	0.05
1961	66,840	1	1	-	-	2	2	0.03
1962	68,630	3	-	-	-	3	3	0.04
1963	69,330	2	-	-	-	2	2	0.03
1964	70,110	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1965	70,490	1	-	-	1	1	2	0.028
1966	71,240	1	-	-	1	1	2	0.028
1967	71,540	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

SECTION III

PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY SERVICE

Samples were sent to the Public Health Laboratory as follows:

Water	...	...	174
Ice Cream..	...	...	20
Milk	...	...	1
Food	...	...	4
Meat	...	...	2
Prawns..	...	...	1
Packet Soup	...	...	1
Faeces	...	...	64

Authentication of International Certificates

Number of certificates authenticated	...	625
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Staff Examinations

Number of staff medically examined	...	122
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TABLE VII

Prevalence of Notifiable Diseases
 Showing cases notified during 1967, numbers admitted to hospitals and deaths
 Also notifications 1957-1966

Diseases	Cases notified 1967	Cases Admitted to Hospital	Deaths	Notifications									
				1966	1965	1964	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958	1957
Dysentery	8	2	-	6	58	6	10	10	12	4	3	5	6
Encephalitis	4	4	-	1	2	-	-	1	1	-	1	2	2
Erysipelas	1	-	-	3	3	1	1	1	2	4	3	1	5
Food Poisoning	7	2	-	1	-	6	-	-	2	4	6	6	9
Measles	554	3	-	390	1491	172	796	172	1352	27	1003	126	663
Pneumonia	10	4	37	18	3	4	14	14	9	4	27	22	19
Puerperal Pyrexia	32	31	-	32	44	39	32	47	53	79	68	80	92
Scarlet Fever	19	-	-	32	16	19	19	5	17	84	102	44	39
Tuberculosis (pulmonary)	4	2	1	14	18	11	18	17	31	22	27	26	26
Tuberculosis (Non-Pulmonary)	2	1	-	3	4	1	1	2	9	11	3	7	6
Whooping Cough	37	1	-	27	12	36	27	16	30	8	32	96	53

TABLE VIII
Analysis of Notifiable Diseases
in Age Groups

Disease	<u>Ages in Years of Cases Notified</u>											
	Under 1 year	1-2 yrs.	2-3 yrs.	3-4 yrs.	4-5 yrs.	5-10 yrs.	10-15 yrs.	15-25 yrs.	25-35 yrs.	35-45 yrs.	45-65 yrs.	Over 65 Age Unknown
Dysentery	-	-	2	1	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	1
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Food Poisoning	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	2	-
Measles	17	53	73	87	68	232	9	1	2	1	-	11
Pneumonia	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	3	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	13	2	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	3	10	3	3	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	3	2	6	3	3	19	-	1	-	-	-	-

N.B. Tuberculosis is shown in separate table.

TABLE IX

Showing Monthly Incidence of Notifiable Diseases

Disease	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Dysentery	-	-	1	1	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Measles	130	158	141	63	29	10	9	7	-	1	2	4
Pneumonia	-	1	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	4
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	2	2	1	4	1	6	7	4	-	-	4
Scarlet Fever	2	3	1	3	3	2	1	1	-	1	1	1
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Tuberculosis (Non-Pulmonary)	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Whooping Cough	2	1	1	2	1	-	2	-	3	5	13	7

TABLE X

Showing Cases of Notifiable Diseases occurring in each Parish

Disease	Burn- ham	Dat- chet	Den- ham	Dor- ney	Farn- ham Royal	Ful- mer	G.X.	Hedg- erley	Hor- ton	Iver	Stoke Poges	Tap- low	Wex- ham	Wray- bury
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	1	-
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	1	-
Measles	104	78	25	12	14	4	50	11	-	117	19	52	63	5
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	1	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	31	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	5	2	3	4	-
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis (Non-Pulmonary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	8	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	-	22	1	-	1	-

Vaccination and Immunisation

Records of Immunisation and Vaccination during 1967

Type of Vaccine or Dose	Number of Persons	1966
Diphtheria	3	2
Diphtheria/Tetanus combined	112	82
Diphtheria/Whooping Cough combined	-	1
Triple	860	858
Quadrilin	1	103
Renewals	2099	1747
Whooping Cough only	-	-
Tetanus - two injections	60	41
Tetanus - third injection to complete course	86	34
Vaccination	726	770
Revaccination	118	145

SECTION IV.

WATER SUPPLIES.

The following details were supplied by the three statutory water undertakings serving the district, giving information as to water mains extensions and bacteriological and/or chemical analyses water reports typical to supplies in the area:-

1. Middle Thames Water Board.

<u>Location.</u>	<u>Length.</u>	<u>Diameter.</u>
Hill Farm Road, Taplow.	403-yds.	4"
Holly Close, Farnham Common.	138-yds.	4"
Templewood Lane, Farnham Common.	418-yds.	4"
Cages Wood, The Avenue, Farnham Common.	85-yds.	3"
Dair House, Beaconsfield Road, Farnham Common.	246-yds.	4"
Beeches Drive North, The Avenue, Farnham Common.	85-yds.	3"
Hogfair Lane, Burnham.	311-yds.	4"

The water is treated with chlorine and sulphur dioxide before passing into the mains.

The restrictions on garden watering and car washing in that part of the area formerly supplied by Slough Borough Council were lifted on 1st October, 1967.

BACTERIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL ANALYSIS.

<u>Bacteriological:</u>	<u>1 day at 37°C.</u>	<u>2 days at 37°C.</u>	<u>3 days at 20-22°C.</u>
Plate Counts on Agar per ml. in	0	0	0
	<u>Present in.</u>	<u>Absent from.</u>	<u>Probable number.</u>
Presumptive Coliform reaction.	0 ml.	0 ml.	0 per 100 ml.
Bact. coli (Type 1)	0 ml.	0 ml.	0 per 100 ml.
Cl. Welchii.	0 ml.	0 ml.	

Remarks: Satisfactory.

Chemical results in parts per million (Mg/L).

Appearance:	Faint opalescence with a very slight deposit.		
Colour:	3	Turbidity:	3
pH:	7.2	Odour:	Faint earthy.
Electric Conductivity:	570	Free Carbon-Dioxide:	32
Chlorine present as		Dissolved Solids	
Chloride:	29	dried at 180°C:	445
Hardness: Total	320	Alkalinity as Calcium	
Carbonate:	240	Carbonate:	240
Non-Carbonate:	80		
Nitrate Nitrogen:	5.3	Nitrite Nitrogen:	Absent
Ammoniacal Nitrogen: *	0.003	Oxygen Absorbed:	0.20
Albuminoid Nitrogen: *	0.003	Residual Chlorine:	0.07
Metals: Iron: 0.08,	Copper: 0.8,	Zinc, Lead,	Absent
Fluoride(F):	0.15	Silica:	24

* To convert to Ammonia multiply by 1.21.

2. Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Company.

<u>Location.</u>	<u>Length.</u>	<u>Diameter.</u>
Off Tilehouse Way, Denham.	136-yds.	3"
Off South Park Crescent, Gerrards Cross.	72-yds.	3"
Off South Park Crescent, Gerrards Cross.	128-yds.	4"
Road E.R.72 off Welley Road, Wraysbury.	81-yds.	4"
Land adjoining "Little Burgage", Woodlands, Gerrards Cross.	20-yds.	3"

Bacteriological and Chemical Analysis.

Bacteriological:

Colonies per ml.	2 days at 37°C.	2
" " "	3 days at 20°C.	4
Coli-aerogenes, probable number per 100 ml.		0
E. Coli, " " " " "		0

Remarks:

This water is hard in character but contains no excess of mineral or saline constituents: it conforms to the highest standard of bacterial and organic purity.

Chemical results in parts per million.

Colour: Hazen.	Nil	Chloride: (Cl)	25
Turbidity: (SiO ₂)	Nil	Alkalinity: (CaCO ₃)	260
Odour:	Nil	Hardness: (CaCO ₃)	
Taste:	Normal	Carbonate:	260
pH:	7.3	Non-Carbonate:	35
Electrical Conductivity: (20°C)	540	Total:	295
Total Solids: (180°C)	385	Potassium:	1.4
Nitrate: (N)	3.6	Sodium:	11
Nitrite: (N)	.002	Copper:	.01
Ammonia: (N)	.002	Iron:	Nil
Albuminoid Nitrogen: (N)	.003	Zinc:	-
		Chlorine: (Cl ₂)	Nil

3. South West Suburban Water Company.

No main extensions were completed in the rural district during 1967.

Bacteriological and Chemical Analysis.

<u>Bacteriological:</u>	1 day at 37°C.	2 days at 37°C.	3 days at 20-22°C.
Plate Counts on Agar per ml. in	0	0	1
	<u>Present</u> <u>in.</u>	<u>Absent</u> <u>from.</u>	<u>Probable</u> <u>number.</u>
Presumptive Coliform reaction.	0 ml.	0 ml.	0 per 100 ml.
Bact. Coli (Type 1)	0 ml.	0 ml.	0 per 100 ml.
Cl. Welchii.	0 ml.	0 ml.	
Str. Faecalis.	0 ml.	0 ml.	

Remarks: Satisfactory.

Chemical. - Results in parts per million.

Colour:	8.5	Turbidity:	0.3
Odour:	None	Free Carbon Dioxide:	9
pH:	7.8	Alkalinity as	
Electric Conductivity:	540	Calcium Carbonate:	202
Chlorine present as		Hardness: Total:	280
Chloride:	34.	Carbonate:	202
Nitrate Nitrogen:	5.5	Non-Carbonate:	78
Ammoniacal Nitrogen:	0.04	Nitrite Nitrogen:	0.001
Albuminoid Nitrogen:	0.12	Oxygen Absorbed:	2.3
Iron:	0.02	Residual Chlorine:	Nil
Fluoride:	0.20	Aluminium:	0.09
		Phosphates:	Nil

Mains water supplied to the district was satisfactory in both quantity and quality. Premises in the Amerden area of Taplow were able to connect to the mains extension which was charged early in the year. Some further properties in the Wraysbury area were connected to the mains during the year reducing still further the number of properties with well water supplies.

WATER SUPPLIES USED FOR DRINKING AND DOMESTIC PURPOSES.

The number of shallow wells supplying water for drinking and domestic use in the area is decreasing. The remainder, which are chiefly in the Parish of Wraybury, have been regularly sampled and any unsatisfactory bacteriological and/or chemical results have been followed up, advice being given or action taken in these cases.

TABLE B - Samples Taken Other Than From Mains.

Type of sample taken.	Unsatisfactory.	Satisfactory.	Doubtful.	Total.
Bacteriological.	12	76	-	88
Chemical.	1	68	6 *	75
Totals:	13	144	6	163

* Metals present
below permitted
limits.

BACTERIOLOGICAL SAMPLES COLLECTED FROM SWIMMING POOLS
AND BATHING PLACES.

The sampling of swimming and therapeutic pools, including three privately owned pools, continued as in previous years. In all cases unsatisfactory samples were followed up with satisfactory results. School swimming pools were sampled as in the past by arrangement with Bucks County Education Authority. The table below gives an analysis of these results.

Name of Swimming Pool or Bathing Place.	No. of Samples taken.	No. of Satis- factory Results.	No. of Unsatis- factory Results.
Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital.	7	7	-
Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre.	10	9	1
Burnham Beeches (Main Pool).	6	5	1
Burnham Beeches (Kiddies Pool).	7	4	3
Little Paston, Fulmer Common Road, Fulmer.	1	1	-
Lower Mead, Templewood Lane, Stoke Poges.	2	2	-
Duffield House, Stoke Poges.	2	2	-
<u>Schools.</u>			
Burnham C.E. Primary.	1	1	-
Burnham Grammar.	2	2	-
Farnham Common County Primary.	2	2	-
Warrenfield Comprehensive.	5	5	-
Woodside County Secondary.	1	1	-
Totals:	46	41	5

BACTERIOLOGICAL SAMPLES COLLECTED FROM WATER UNDERTAKINGS' DISTRIBUTION MAINS.

The table below shows results of water samples taken from distribution points direct from mains supplies. These samples are supplementary to the ones taken by the Water Undertakings supplying the area.

Parish.	Water Undertaking.	No. of samples taken.	Results.
BURNHAM.	Middle Thames Water Board.	1	Satisfactory.
FARNHAM ROYAL.	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Company.	1	Satisfactory.
FULMER.	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Company.	1	Satisfactory.
GERRARDS CROSS.	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Company.	1	Satisfactory.
IVER.	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Company.	4	Satisfactory.
STOKE EGGLES.	Middle Thames Water Board.	1	Satisfactory.
WEXHAM.	Middle Thames Water Board.	1	Satisfactory.
WRAYSBURY.	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Company.	1	Satisfactory.

Total number examined = 11.

Parish.	(a) Estimated No. of dwellings in each Parish at the end of the year.	(b) Approx. No. of dwellings on private wells or bores.	(c) Dwellings on public mains.	(d) Estimated population in dwellings referred to in column (c).
Burnham.	5,361	-	5,361	17,900
Datchet.	1,198	6	1,192	4,250
Denham.	2,189	-	2,189	7,600
Dorney.	269	-	269	850
Farnham Royal.	1,302	-	1,302	4,400
Fulmer.	305	5	300	650
Gerrards Cross.	1,862	2	1,860	6,200
Hedgerley.	318	1	317	900
Horton.	325	1	324	1,050
Iver.	3,351	-	3,351	11,300
Stoke Poges.	1,364	2	1,362	4,450
Taplow.	641	3	638	2,000
Wexham.	1,745	-	1,745	6,900
Wraysbury.	1,271	87	1,184	3,550
Totals:	21,501	107	21,394	72,900

SECTION V

GENERAL SANITATION.

The construction of sewers continued throughout the district as follows:-

(a) Sewer construction in progress during the year.

1. Wraysbury and Horton.

The second stage of this scheme has been completed.

2. Stoke Poges and Wexham.

Stage 5 of this scheme has been completed and Stage 6 commenced.

(b) Schemes proposed for 1968.

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| 1. Camp Road, Gerrards Cross. | - Tenders received. |
| 2. Farnham Royal, Stage 4. | - Tenders received. |
| 3. Datchet. | - Tenders to be invited. |
| 4. Gerrards Cross Sewage Works. | - Tenders received. |
| 5. Iver High Street, Relief Sewer. | - Tenders received. |
| 6. Fulmer Road, Gerrards Cross. | - Tenders received. |
| 7. Marsham Lane, Relief Sewer. | - To be submitted to the Ministry. |
| 8. Beaconsfield Road, Relief Sewer. | - To be submitted to Council. |

The provision of the sewer in the Wraysbury and Horton area has reduced the difficulties in connection with leaking and overflowing cesspools in that part of the district. The implementation of other schemes in the district it is hoped will be able to go ahead without delay to avoid recommending works of a temporary nature which for a large part are palliative whilst awaiting a proper solution by the provision of main drainage.

SECTION VI
CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES
Maternity and Child Welfare

Centre	Location	Sessions	Sessions with Medical Officer
Burnham	Village Hall	Each Wednesday	1st and 3rd Wednesday
Burnham (Lent Rise)	Methodist Hall, Lent Rise	Each Thursday	2nd and 4th Thursday
Burnham (Britwell)	Health Centre, Wentworth Avenue	Each Tuesday and Friday	Each Friday
Datchet	Village Hall, Churchmead School	2nd and 4th Wednesday	Each session
Denham	Health Centre, Oxford Road	Each Wednesday	1st, 2nd and 4th Wednesday
Dorney	Village Hall	1st and 3rd Tuesday	1st Tuesday
Farnham Common	Village Hall	2nd and 4th Monday	4th Monday
Farnham Royal	Village Hall	Each Thursday	2nd and 4th Thursday
Gerrards Cross	British Legion Hall	1st and 3rd Friday	3rd Friday
Horton	Champneys Hall	1st and 3rd Wednesday	1st Wednesday
Iver	Church Institute Thorney Lane	1st and 3rd Wednesday	3rd Wednesday
Iver (Richings Park)	St. Leonard's Church Hall	2nd and 4th Monday	2nd Monday
Iver Heath	Village Hall	2nd and 4th Wednesday	2nd and 4th Wednesday

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES

(Continued)

Maternity and Child Welfare

Centre	Location	Sessions	Sessions with Medical Officer
Stoke Poges	Village Hall	2nd and 4th Tuesday	Each Session
Wexham	Health Centre, Knolton Way, Wexham Court	Each Friday	Each Friday
Wraysbury	Village Hall	2nd and 4th Thursday	2nd Thursday

Tuberculosis

Slough: The Chest Clinic is at Upton Hospital, Slough, where appointments may be made with the Physician in Charge. Telephone number Slough 23261.

Windsor: Out Patients Clinic is held at King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor. Appointments arranged by the Appointments Officer, Upton Hospital, Slough. Telephone number Slough 23261.

Venereal Diseases

Clinics are held at the following hospitals:-

King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor, Berks.
Hillingdon Hospital.
Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, Berks.

Cervical Cytology (available for women over 35)

Health Centre, Burlington Road, Slough.
By appointment - second and fourth Tuesdays in the month.
Appointments to be made through Area Health Office, 9 Bath Road, Slough.
Telephone number Slough 23831.

Family Planning Clinics

SLOUGH Upton Hospital, Slough.

Monday: 6 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.
Tuesday: 9 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.
Wednesday: 9 a.m. - 10.0 a.m.

BRITWELL Health Centre, Britwell Estate, Slough.

Monday: 10.0 a.m. - 11.0 a.m.

LANGLEY Health Centre, Parlaunt Park, Langley

Wednesday: 7.0 p.m. - 8.0 p.m.
Friday: 10.0 a.m. - 11.0 a.m.

WINDSOR Kipling Memorial Buildings, Windsor

Monday: 7.0 p.m. - 8.0 p.m.

Ante Natal Clinics

Health Centre, Burlington Road, Slough

Thursday afternoon.

Upton Hospital, Slough

Monday: 1.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.
Tuesday: 1.30 p.m. - 5.0 p.m.
Wednesday: 1.45 p.m. - 4.0 p.m.
Friday: 9.30 a.m. - 1.0 p.m.

Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow
(Clinic held at Upton Hospital)

Monday morning
Thursday morning
Saturday morning

King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor

Monday: 9.0 a.m.
Wednesday: 9.0 a.m.
Thursday: 2.0 p.m.

REGISTERED NURSING HOMES

Further particulars of all registered nursing homes in the district obtainable from the Medical Officer of Health.

HOSPITALS

The following hospitals serve the area:

General

Wexham Park Hospital, Wexham.
Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow.
King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor, Berks.
Old Windsor Hospital, Crimp Hill, Windsor.
Maidenhead General Hospital, Maidenhead, Berks.

Infectious Diseases Hospitals

Maidenhead Isolation Hospital, Maidenhead, Berks.
St. John's Hospital, Uxbridge, Middlesex.

Chronic Sick

St. Mark's Hospital, Maidenhead, Berks.
Old Windsor Hospital, Crimp Hill, Old Windsor, Berks.

Part III Accommodation

Upton Hospital, Slough.
Old Windsor Hospital, Crimp Hill, Old Windsor, Berks.

Maternity Accommodation

Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow.
Old Windsor Hospital, Crimp Hill, Old Windsor, Berks.
Upton Hospital, Slough.

Mental Illness

St. Bernard's Hospital, Southall, Middlesex.
St. John's Hospital, Stone, Nr. Aylesbury.

ANTE-NATAL CLASSES HELD IN THE SOUTH BUCKS AREA

District Covered	Where Held	Time	Day
Burnham, Taplow	Lent Rise Methodist Church Hall, Burnham	2.30 p.m.	For 6 consecutive Mondays as required
Cippenham	The Lounge, Kennedy House, Harrison Way, Cippenham	2.30 p.m.	Alternate Wednesday
Denham Gerrards Cross	Health Centre, Oxford Rd. Denham	2.30 p.m.	Each Monday
Eton Wick Eton Dorney	Village Hall, Eton Wick	2.30 p.m.	For 6 consecutive Wednesdays as required.
Iver Iver Heath	Iver Cottage Hospital	2.30 p.m.	For 8 consecutive Thursdays as required
Langley	Health Centre, Parlaunt Park, Langley	2.30 p.m.	Each Friday
Slough Britwell Farnham Common	Ante Natal Clinic Upton Hospital, Slough	2.30 p.m.	Each Thursday
Slough Britwell Farnham Common	Health Centre Burlington Road, Slough	2.30 p.m.	Each Wednesday
Slough Britwell Farnham Common	Health Centre, Burlington Road, Slough	7.30 p.m.	Each Thursday
Slough Britwell Farnham Common	Health Centre, Burlington Road, Slough	1.00 p.m.	On Fridays as arranged
Wexham Court Upton Lea Stoke Poges	Health Centre, Knolton Way, Wexham Court	2.30 p.m.	Each Wednesday
Wraysbury Horton Colnbrook Datchet	Village Hall, Wraysbury	2.30 p.m.	For 6 consecutive Tuesdays as required

ANNUAL REPORT.

Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The untimely death of Mr. A.H.V. Marsden before writing the introduction for this part of the annual report necessitates a short statement on his behalf.

During his twelve years as Chief Public Health Inspector many changes in both outlook and emphasis have taken place. Although much progress has been made in dealing with unfit and decayed houses and dwellings there still remain numbers of properties which can only be regarded as substandard due to the absence of modern amenities such as bathrooms internal accessible toilets, hot water supplies etc. The need to make Improvement Grant facilities more attractive for rented accommodation is obvious, otherwise these properties which need increasing attention to keep in repair will become ripe for action by the Council in the future.

There has been a steady improvement in the standards of food premises in the area and better and more hygienic equipment is being used. However, equipment is only as good as the operator makes it and increasing attention has to be paid to staff to see that work is carried out with due regard to regulation requirements. A new control measure is being exercised on food premises by the use of "sausage agar" to check bacteriologically the surfaces of crockery, equipment, work tops, cutting machines, etc. This work has been well received by management and staff and helps to illustrate in a practical way the conditions found and effect improvements. With the increased sophistication of foods more attention has to be paid to investigations into complaints and the need to keep abreast of modern food technology is being met by your Inspectors attending Courses about this subject.

Control of the disposal of refuse still occupies much Officer time. With the increase in trade wastes it has been necessary to pay more attention to industrial waste disposal in worked out gravel pits, many of which contain surface water and are consequentially more likely to produce nuisance from smell and pollution of water supplies and the consequent difficulty in rectifying conditions once started.

Thanks must be paid to other Chief Officers and staff for guidance and assistance freely given in the problems requiring a common approach, and finally to the whole of the staff of the Department who have contributed to the work of this report.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

S. PAPE.

Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector.

SECTION VII

Food and Drugs Act, 1955, Inspection of Food.

Inspections under the provisions of the Act and Regulations continue to take up a large amount of time. Kitchens of cafes, canteens etc. are frequently visited and suggestions as to ways of improving standards are given. The number of complaints investigated in relation to foreign bodies or alien matter in food is similar to last year. Attention must be drawn to the need for early notification of a complaint particularly where it involves quality or mould conditions which are affected by a time factor. Faulty stock rotation was a prime cause in a large proportion of cases.

Details of Food Premises subject to the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.				
Type of trade carried out.	No. of premises.	No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16.	No. of premises to which Regulation 19 applies.	No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19.
Butchers.	36	36	36	36
Bakers.	28	28	28	28
Fish Shops (Wet and Fried)	7	7	7	7
Grocers/Greengrocers.	182	163	159	159
Licensed Premises.	93	93	88	88
Canteens/Restaurants.	52	52	52	52
Chemists.	15	15	12	12

Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

25 complaints of unfit and/or alien matter in food were reported to the Department. Action was taken as follows:-

Section 2.

Cottage cheese. (Mould).	Purchased in Burnham.	Warning letter.
Bottle of milk. (Sweet wrapper).	Delivered in Gerrards Cross.	Warning letter.
Doughnut. (Cigarette end).	Purchased in Gerrards Cross.	Fined £15.0.0d.
Cereal. (Insectinfestation).	Purchase in Burnham.	Fined £30.0.0d.
Fruit malt loaf. (Mould).	Purchased in Dorney.	Warning letter.
Six doughnuts. (Dirt).	Delivered in Burnham.	Warning letter.
Iced Bun Round. (Foreign matter).	Purchased in Gerrards Cross.	Warning letter.
Sausage Rolls. (Mould).	Purchased in Burnham.	Warning letter.
Chocolate Eclair. (Mould).	Purchased in Iver.	Warning letter.
Grape Nuts. (Infestation).	Purchased in Burnham.	Fined £40.0.0d.

Section 8.

Bacon (Decomposed).	Purchased in Burnham.	Fined £10.0.0d.
Grape Nuts. (Infestation).	Purchased in Burnham.	Warning letter.
Corned Beef. (Strong odour).	Purchased in Gerrards Cross.	Warning letter.
Pig's liver. (Discolouration and odour).	Purchased in Burnham.	Warning letter.

After investigation no further action was taken in the remaining 11 cases due to insufficient evidence or complaint not being found correct.

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| 1. "Jif" plastic lemon. | (? Slug). |
| 2. Sausages. | (Wire). |
| 3. Wrapped white loaf. | (Dirt). |
| 4. Wrapped white loaf. | (Wire). |
| 5. Tinned plums. | (Wasps). |
| 6. Baby rusks. | (Containing grub). |
| 7. Cheese. | (? Cause of rash on hands). |
| 8. Bottle of milk. | (Dirty). |
| 9. Bottle of milk. | (Dirty). |
| 10. Wrapped white loaf. | (Insect). |
| 11. Chocolates. | (Soapy taste). |

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

(a) Meat.

	Cattle except Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed.	7	-	5	-	-	-
Number inspected.	7	-	5	-	-	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci. Whole carcasses condemned.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis only. Whole carcasses condemned.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis. Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	-	-	-	-	-	-

(b) Other Foods (Surrendered and Condemned).

Quantity of sweets and confections.
 Quantity of mixed frozen vegetables.
 22 Chicken pies.
 51 Beefburgers. (Packets)
 63 Meat pies.
 14 Sausage rolls. (Packets)
 82 Fish fillets.
 40 Fish fingers. (Packets)
 Quantity of pastry. (Puff)

Ice Cream.

14 new applications were received for the storage and sale of ice cream making a total of 178 on the register.

20 ice cream samples were submitted for examination with the following results:-

Grade I	-	18
Grade IV	-	2

4 of these samples were obtained from mobile vans and were of the prepared mix type.

Follow up samples of the two unsatisfactory results were found to be satisfactory.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES AND KNACKER YARDS ETC.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958.

Renewals.	5
New Licences.	-

Game Licences.

Renewals.	14
New Licences.	-

The Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations, 1958.

There is only one knacker's yard in the district which was licensed for one year after the statutory inspection. The annual return shows that the number of horses slaughtered during the year was 4. The number of carcasses received 30.

Slaughterhouses Act, 1958.

Renewal of the licence for the one slaughterhouse within the Eton Rural District was granted for a further year. Regular inspections were carried out which revealed satisfactory conditions.

Poultry Inspection.

There are no poultry processing or packing premises in the district.

Visits of inspection were made to smallholdings in the district where small numbers of table poultry are offered for sale. The birds, mainly broilers are slaughtered at the time of sale and dressed if required. This trade is small and sporadic and usually takes place at weekends with passing motorists. Inspection is uneconomic and difficult due to the intermittent nature of the business.

SECTION VIII.

RODENT INFESTATION AND DESTRUCTION, ETC.

Notification of infestations.	753
Visits to private premises.	739
Visits to business premises.	220
Visits to local authority premises.	72
Inspection of agricultural premises.	67

DISINFECTIONS AND DISINFESTATIONS.

Disinfection of premises and bedding in respect of :-

Tuberculosis	3
Scabies.	2

Disinfestations:-

Ants.	11
Bugs.	8
Red Spider.	5
Cluster Flies.	1
Small Insects.	1

Due to the resignation of the Rodent Officer in August it was found necessary to retain the services of a private contractor to deal with notifications and complaints at private premises for the remainder of the period. Contracts for business premises which had been made previously were fulfilled by existing staff.

SECTION IX.

Factories, Workplaces and Outworkers.

The information given in the following tables is required by the Ministry of Health to be included in the Annual Report.

1. INSPECTIONS for Purposes of Provisions as to Health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors.)

Premises. (1)	Number on Register. (2)	Number of		Occupiers Prosecuted. (5)
		Inspections. (3)	Written Notices. (4)	
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	19	18	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	174	138	4	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority. (excluding outworkers' premises).	8	18	2	-
TOTAL:	201	174	6	-

2, CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases").

Particulars.	Number of cases in which defects were found.				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted. (6)
	Found.	Remedied.	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector. (4)	By H.M. Inspector. (5)	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of Cleanliness. (S.1.)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding. (S.2.)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature. (S.3.)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation. (S.4.)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors. (S.6.)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences. (S.7.)	1	1	-	-	-
(a) Insufficient.	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective.	2	2	-	1	-
(c) Not separate for sexes.	1	-	-	1	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outwork).					
TOTAL:	4	3	-	2	-

Outworkers inspections = 5
Workplace inspections = 38

SECTION X.

HOUSING.

Grants for conversion or improvement of housing accommodation were as follows:-

Discretionary Grants.

Applications received - (a) for conversion	Nil
- (b) for improvement	16
Applications approved - (a) for conversion	Nil
- (b) for improvement	6
Outstanding	6
Withdrawn or ineligible	4

Standard Grants.

Applications received	20
Applications approved	16
Outstanding	3
Withdrawn	1

New houses completed within the district numbered -

(a) 132 - including 22 flats completed by the Council.

(b) 279 - completed by private enterprise.

A tour of inspection involving 8 properties was made by the Unfit Houses Sub-Committee -

Houses demolished as a result of formal action under Housing Act, 1957, (Parts II and III).	4
Houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders and/or Undertakings under Part II of the Act.	9
Houses made fit following formal action under Housing or Public Health Acts.	2
Houses made fit following informal action under Housing or Public Health Acts.	35

Slum Clearance, 1955 - 1967.

48 clearance areas involving 275 properties.
Of these 32 are Clearance Orders and 16 Compulsory Purchase Orders.
320 individually unfit houses have been the subject of either Demolition Orders, Closing Orders or Undertakings.

SECTION XI

OTHER MATTERS.

Petroleum (Regulation) Acts, 1928 & 1936.

There are at present 129 licensed storage installations in the district comprising a total storage capacity of 429,415-gallons of petroleum spirit and 3,485-gallons of petroleum mixtures. Ullage tests were carried out on all tanks which have been in the ground over 20-years. Pressure tests (N2) or according to licence conditions.

In former years much administrative time has been devoted to the notification, registration, preparation and issuing of licences granted in respect of installations and stores under the provisions of these Acts and in order to streamline and reduce the work load it was decided to invite applications for licences for periods of one, two, or three years. This arrangement has been found acceptable in that the offer of the longer period licence has been taken up in the majority of cases where the licencees have no proposals to alter the storage arrangements during the period. Inspections of installations under the provisions of the licences however are not affected by this new arrangement.

In order to provide a better service to the motorist and also to offset difficulties in connection with providing forecourt attendants, the trade have recently been pioneering self-service at petrol stations by the development of coin or note-acceptor pumps where the motorist can obtain petrol by means of a pre-payment meter.

Several enquiries have been received from licensees as to whether this type of installation would be acceptable and discussions have taken place. Licence conditions do not allow for this method of dispensing petroleum spirit at the present time as there are a number of hazards which may arise either by ~~misuse~~ or accident and guidance is awaited from the Home Office on framing suitable licence conditions before approval can be given to this method of dispensing petrol for the motorist.

Pet Animals Act, 1951.

Two applications were received for licences under the above Act. These were granted.

Rag, Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951.

One premises registered under this Act.

Clean Air Act, 1956.

In conjunction with the Ministry of Technology at Warren Spring Laboratory, two new atmospheric pollution stations were set up in the area. These replaced the existing stations which it was agreed to discontinue as from June, 1967. Inspections were made by the Ministry and it was decided that the new stations should be sited at Datchet Village and at Wexham Court. Monthly returns are submitted to Warren Spring Laboratory giving details of volumetric and sulphur dioxide readings from 1st October, 1967. Proposals, new boiler installations and chimney heights were vetted in collaboration with the Engineer & Surveyor and Planning Departments.

Caravan Sites & Control of Development Act, 1960.

A recent survey of caravans in the district revealed that the number on licensed sites was 642. This figure included 24 caravans on recreational sites, chiefly situated at Wraysbury, which are used during the summer months only.

Residential caravans include 142 which are sited on Council owned sites at Wyatts Covert, Denham, Burnham Beeches and Mansion Lane, Iver.

Caretakers and Watchmen occupy another 36.

165 vans are on a large multiple site at Trenches Farm, Wexham, upon which improvement works have begun following legal action by the Council.

The Mansion Lane Site has been the subject of radio, television and press interviews and regular visits by Members and officials of other local authorities. The standards of the site continue to maintain a satisfactory level.

Miscellaneous Matters..

Local Land Charge Search enquiries dealt with by the department numbered 2,035.

Plans and Applications (Building and Byelaws and Town & Country Planning) totalled 1,643.

Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act, 1963.

A total of 490 premises were registered at the end of the year. The following is an extract from the annual return to the Ministry of Labour.

Generally the standards as required under the Act have been found to be satisfactory. However it has been found necessary to draw attention to the need to comply with these standards in respect of a small number of premises.

Notification of Accidents:- No. received = 13

Notifications of accidents are fully investigated to see if there has been any contravention of the Act or if a recommendation can be made to eliminate or reduce the likelihood of a recurrence.

Class of Premises.	Number of premises registered during the year.	Total number of registered premises at end of year.	Number registered receiving a general inspection during the year.	Number of persons employed.
Offices.	17	140	43	2,125
Retail Shops.	14	304	25	1,379
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses.	1	19	10	206
Catering Establishments open to the public, Canteens.	3	22	18	336
Fuel Storage Depots.	-	5	-	30
Number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises = 234				

SECTION XII.
VISITS AND INSPECTIONS.

I give below details of visits and inspections carried out by the Inspectors compiled from daily records kept in the department. For purpose of comparison statistics for 1966 are shown in parenthesis.

		<u>1966.</u>
(a) <u>Public Health Acts.</u>		
Primary Inspections, Houses.	362	(276)
" " Others.	181	(198)
Revisits re above.	464	(570)
Moveable Dwellings, Sites.	565	(373)
" " Travellers.	358	(632)
Infectious Diseases Disinfection.	95	(139)
Places of Public Entertainment, Fairgrounds.	9	(32)
Schools.	31	(31)
Workplaces.	61	(52)
Water Supplies.	195	(263)
Swimming Pools.	101	(83)
Watercourses and Ditches.	108	(117)
Drainage.	340	(443)
Sewage and Drainage Disposal.	415	(391)
Dirty and Verminous Premises.	32	(47)
Insect Infestations.	98	(88)
Offensive Accumulations.	103	(96)
Keeping of Animals (Piggeries) etc.	121	(203)
Public Conveniences.	78	(13)
Refuse Disposal.	340	(539)
Licensed Premises.	35	(17)
Cattle Market.	128	(41)
Rats and Mice.	50	(-)
Miscellaneous.	84	(143)
(b) <u>Housing Acts.</u>		
Houses, Primary Inspections.	304	(332)
Revisits re above.	404	(566)
Overcrowding.	11	(19)
Surveys, etc.	41	(28)
<u>Rent Act.</u>		
Certificates etc.	14	(3)
(c) <u>Factories Act.</u>		
Factories - Motive.	126	(111)
" - Non-motive.	12	(11)
Outworkers Premises.	5	(7)
Building Sites.	18	(21)

(d) <u>Food and Drugs Act.</u>	<u>1966.</u>	
Butchers.	262	(239)
Fishmongers and Poulterers.	31	(25)
Greengrocers and Fruiterers.	52	(62)
Grocers.	254	(216)
Confectioners and Sugar.	48	(43)
Retail Bakeries.	31	(16)
Bakehouses.	48	(34)
Licensed Premises.	91	(78)
Restaurants and Cafes.	205	(155)
Canteens.	61	(61)
Street Food Vendors.	87	(39)
Ice Cream Premises and Sampling.	97	(96)
Knacker's Yard.	14	(19)
Slaughterhouses.	11	(17)
Food Inspection - Meat.	28	(26)
" " - Other Food.	49	(35)
Food Complaints - Visits, Interviews, etc.	117	(122)
Cattle Market.	49	(39)
 (e) <u>Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act.</u>		
Inspections.	88	(60)
Revisits.	235	(417)
<u>Animal Boarding Establishments Act.</u>		
Visits.	45	(24)
<u>Petroleum Acts.</u>		
Visits.	817	(603)
<u>Clean Air Act.</u>		
Visits and observations.	478	(598)
<u>Bucks County Council Act - Hairdressers.</u>		
Visits.	50	(46)
<u>Noise Abatement Act.</u>		
Visits.	163	(100)
<u>Licensing Act.</u>		
Visits.	2	(17)
<u>National Assistance Act.</u>		
Visits.	1	(3)
<u>Pet Animals Act.</u>		
Visits.	-	(6)
<u>Oil Heater Regulations.</u>		
Visits.	3	(1)

NOTICES SERVED.

<u>Formal.</u>		
Public Health Acts.	23	(67)
<u>Informal.</u>	176	(382)

